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Bob,

In our 1/28 TCT mtg, you asked me what the status was of Oregon's WQSs, & I wasn't able to give you much of an answer. I asked some DEQ WQ folks & have a little more to offer you.

- 1) <u>Application of new WQSs based on the 175g/day fish consumption rates</u>- 12-18 months off. We need to go thru rule development, then adoption, & then EPA approval.
- 2) <u>Status of Table 20 vs 33A WQSs</u>- You probably know this all ready. Tables 33A & B were adopted by our EQC in 2004, but not accepted by EPA. All of the values in Table 33A are more stringent than Table 20 values. EPA allows the State to use EPA-approved WQSs or anything we deem more stringent. In the interim (before EPA approves the new tables), we're using Table 33A numbers & for those chemicals that don't exist on Table 33A, but do exist on Table 20..., we're using those Table 20 values.

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